

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Burrows et al.  
SERIAL NO. : 10/562,091  
FILED : December 21, 2005  
FOR : System and Method for Customized Training to  
Understand Human Speech Correctly With a  
Hearing Aid Device  
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EXAMINER :

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**Response to Notification of Missing Requirements**

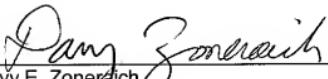
Sir:

In reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements received in the above-identified application, applicants submit the following:

1. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements;
2. Executed Declarations of the inventors John Cronin, Nancy Edwards, Justin Kunz and John Anthony Singarayar;
3. Petition to make application when an inventor cannot be reached under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a);
4. Declaration of Courtney Lightfoot in Support of Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a);
5. Payment of \$200 for Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a);
6. Payment of \$130 for surcharge for late submission of executed declarations; and
7. Petition and payment of \$ 1590 for four (4) month extension of time.

As to the requirement that applicants submit \$200 for the examination fee, it is respectfully submitted that such fee is not due because the Written Opinion prepared by the ISA/US, a copy of which is enclosed, states that the criteria of novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability, as defined in PCT Article 33(1)-(4), have been satisfied for all of the claims presented in the application, which have entered the national stage.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/21/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/21/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/21/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 12/21/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/21/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/21/2005
- Assignment filed on 12/21/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/21/2005
- Specification filed on 12/21/2005
- Claims filed on 12/21/2005
- Abstracts filed on 12/21/2005
- Drawings filed on 12/21/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the

missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$330** for a Large Entity:

• **\$130 Surcharge.**

- The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$200** to complete the examination fee for a non-small entity. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(n)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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